

A taggant pen comprising:
a pen;
the pen containing ink;
the ink containing a taggant;
the taggant representative of a first unique identification code;
a record system having a second unique identification code; and
the first unique identification code associated in a known manner to the second
unique identification code.

29. (Amended) A method of securing the authenticity of a document comprising:
[producing the document; and]
providing a pen ;
the pen containing a taggant; wherein
the taggant is representative of an identification code; and
marking the document with the [a] pen [, the pen containing a taggant].

30. (Amended) The method of claim 29 [wherein the marking step comprises using a
taggant having a unique identification code.] further including:
the taggant being representative of a first unique identification code;
a record system having a second unique identification code; and
the first unique identification code being associated in a known manner to the
second unique identification code.

31. (Amended) A method of securing the authenticity of a document comprising:
[producing the document; and]
incorporating a taggant into an ink;

the taggant representative of an identification code; and
marking the document with [tagged] the ink.

32. (Amended) A method of securing the authenticity of a document comprising:
[producing the document; and]
incorporating a taggant into a paint;
the taggant representative of an identification code; and
marking the document with [tagged] the paint.
33. (Amended) The method of claim 31 wherein the [tagged ink contains] taggant is
an isotopic taggant.
34. (Amended) The method of claim 32 wherein the [tagged ink contains] taggant is
an isotopic taggant.
36. (Amended) A taggant spray paint dispenser comprising:
a spray paint dispenser;
a paint contained in the dispenser; [and]
the paint containing a taggant; and
the taggant representative of an identification code.
37. (Amended) [The spray paint dispenser of claim 36 further including:]
A taggant spray paint dispenser comprising:
a spray paint dispenser;
a paint contained in the dispenser;
the paint containing a taggant;

a first unique identification code corresponding to the taggant;
a second unique identification code marked on the spray paint dispenser; and
the first unique identification code associated in a known manner with the second
unique identification code.

38. (Amended) A method of securing the authenticity of a product comprising:
[producing the product; and]
marking the product with [tagged] spray paint;
incorporating a taggant into the spray paint; and
the taggant being representative of an identification code.

39. (Amended) A method of securing the authenticity of clothing comprising:
[tagging thread] incorporating taggant in a thread;
the taggant being representative of an identification code; and
incorporating the [tagged] thread in the clothing.

II. STATUS OF CLAIMS AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGES TO CLAIMS

Claim 25 is pending and has been changed by adding a period at the end, by deleting the word “and” on each of lines 2 and 3, and by adding the limitation “and the taggant representative of an identification code” at the end. Support for the change is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18; column 3, lines 1-63; and column 6, lines 28-38.

Claim 26 is pending and has been amended to place it independent form, with inclusion of all of the limitations its original parent claim 25, and with support as explained above.

Claim 29 is pending and has been changed by deleting the step of “producing the document” and by adding the limitations of (1) providing a pen; and (2) the taggant is representative of an identification code. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; column 6, lines 3-16; and column 6, lines 28-38 (re the pen term).

Claim 30 is pending and has been changed by deleting the limitation “wherein the marking step comprises using a taggant having a unique identification code, and by adding the limitations of (1) the taggant being representative of a first unique identification code; (2) a record system having a second unique identification code; and (3) the first unique identification code being associated in a known manner to the second unique identification code. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and

column 6, lines 3-16.

Claim 31 is pending and has been changed by deleting the limitation “producing the document; and “, and by adding the limitations of (1) incorporating a taggant into an ink; (2) the taggant representative of an identification code; and (3) marking the document with the ink.. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and column 6, lines 3-16.

Claim 32 is pending and has been changed by deleting the limitations “producing the document” and “tagged” on the last line, and by adding the limitations of (1) incorporating a taggant into a paint; and (2) the taggant representative of an identification code. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and column 6, lines 3-16.

Claim 33 is pending and has been changed by deleting the terms “tagged ink contains”. Support for this change is found in the changed language of parent claim 31.

Claim 34 is pending and has been changed by deleting the terms “tagged ink contains”. Support for this change is found in the changed language of parent claim 32.

Claim 36 is pending and has been changed by deleting the term “and” on line 3, and by adding the limitation “and, the taggant representative of an identification code”. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and column 6,

lines 3-16.

Claim 37 is pending and has been changed by rewriting it in independent form to include all of the limitations of its original parent claim 36, and to include the changes to the parent claim as explained above, where the support for this change is also found.

Claim 38 is pending and has been changed by deleting the limitation “producing the product; and”, and by adding the limitation “and the taggant being representative of an identification code.” Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and column 6, lines 3-16.

Claim 39 is pending and has been changed by deleting the terms “tagging thread” on line 2 and the term “tagged” on line 3, and by adding the limitations (1) incorporating taggant in a thread; (2) the taggant being representative of an identification code; and (3) incorporating the thread in the clothing. Support for the changes is found in the specification at, for example, column 1, lines 15-18 and column 3, lines 1-63; column 6, lines 29-34; column 5, lines 51-64; and column 6, lines 3-16.